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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Conversation with The Secretary of Defense,  
30 January 1978

1. Counterterrorism. The Secretary of Defense looked at this question with the Joint Chiefs of Staff. They are uncertain as to just what kind and level of coordination with us is necessary for the anti-terrorist unit to be formed at Fort Bragg. The Secretary suggested I have Ted Shackley work with General LeVan, J-3, to try to define what role the Agency might play. I'll talk to Ted about this when I get back.

2. The Secretary talked about the national/tactical interface study which he had signed and which does not have any of the footnotes concerning joint funding. He asked my assurance that I would be willing to look at joint funding if the occasion arose, and I assured him that I would. I specifically assured him that if Defense ever had money to put into intelligence activities I would do everything to find a way to take advantage of that.

3. The Secretary gave me a DIA report on the reasons for the Soviets' anti-neutron bomb campaign. He would like to know if we are doing something similar. He would like to have our comments on the DIA paper. Beyond that, I wonder if, as DCI, I should do something to endorse and give more stature to the DIA paper. If it is a good paper on why the Soviets are taking the position they are, perhaps it should go out as an Intelligence Memorandum or whatever else. If we like the paper and have minimal changes that are necessary to it, I'd like to encourage the non-NFAC analytic agencies to get DCI endorsement on their good products. Perhaps this is already being done. 25X1

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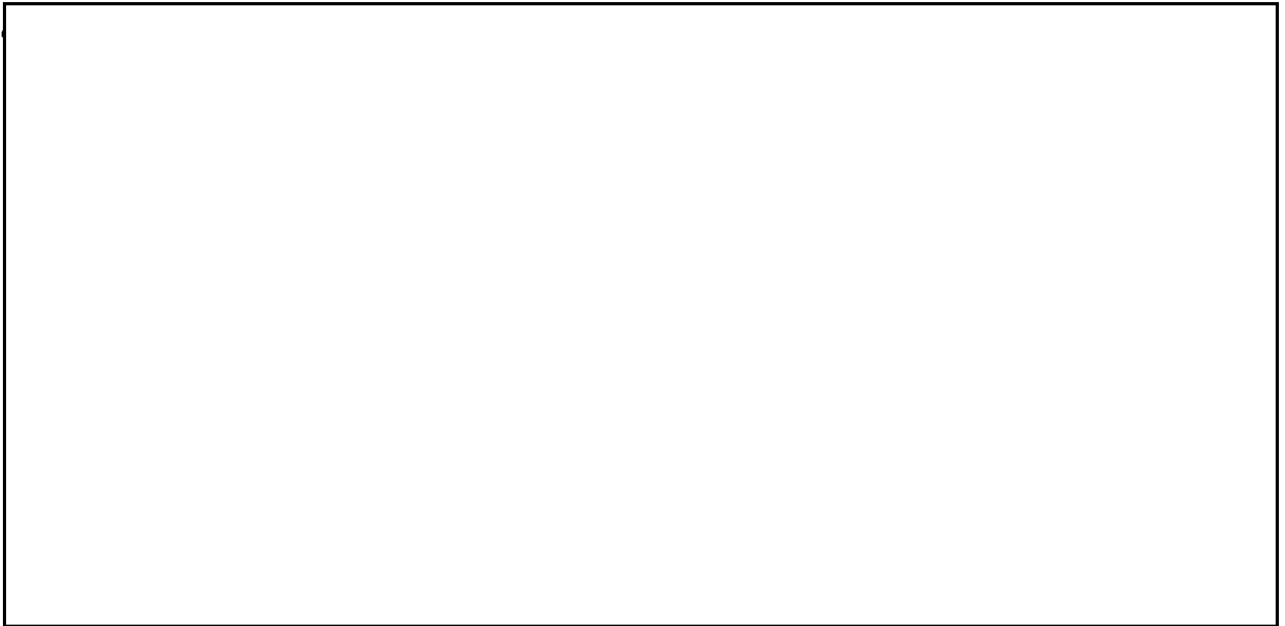
6. We discussed the pending movement of a new surface warship into the Red Sea [REDACTED] 25X1



8. I raised the issue of Charles Duncan's January 4th response on not wanting to have a single point of contact for responses to Congressional committees. I told him that I thought there was a misunderstanding here; I was only asking to coordinate on the Korean issue, whereas his response seemed to be for all materials from Defense intelligence agencies to Congress. They indicated they would relook at that one.

9. I talked to Secretary Brown about his trip to the Agency. He indicated that he would enjoy the format of an hour's meeting with a moderate-size group of 50 or 60 at which he would say a few remarks and then have a dialogue to be followed by a luncheon with the top leadership. [REDACTED] 25X1  
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13. Strategic balance testimony. I delivered the questions which I'd received during my testimony on this subject. I also delivered a Xerox set of the charts I had used.

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14. I delivered a copy of the Indian Ocean atlas to him for his daughter who is going there on an oceanographic expedition with Woods Hole next summer. Unfortunately, I mixed up the names. I need to sign one to Ellen instead of Debbie. Please give me another one for the next trip.

STANSFIELD TURNER  
Director

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